CHAPTER 177

## MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 13-1119

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Exum, Court, Duran, Fields, Fischer, Foote, Garcia, Gardner, Ginal, Hamner, Hullinghorst, Kraft-Tharp, Labuda, Lebsock, Lee, May, Melton, Navarro, Pettersen, Primavera, Rosenthal, Ryden, Salazar, Schafer, Singer, Williams, Young, Ferrandino, Gerou, McLachlan, Mitsch Bush, Moreno; also SENATOR(S) Kerr, Carroll, Crowder, Grantham, Guzman, Heath, Kefalas, King, Newell, Nicholson, Tochtrop, Todd.

## AN ACT

CONCERNING PLACEMENT OF THE WORD "VETERAN" FOR VETERANS WITH PROPER DOCUMENTATION ON IDENTITY DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-114, add (11) as follows:

- **42-2-114.** License issued fees repeal. (11) (a) Upon the applicant presenting a DD214 form issued by the United States government or any other document accepted by the department that demonstrates that the applicant is a veteran of the United States armed forces, the department shall print the word "Veteran" on the driver's license.
- (b) The holder of a driver's license bearing the word "Veteran" need not present documentation that the holder is a veteran of the United States armed forces to renew or reissue the driver's license.
- (c) The department shall not issue a driver's license bearing the word "Veteran" if the applicant's documentation shows that the applicant received a dishonorable discharge.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-2-303, **add** (5) as follows:

**42-2-303.** Contents of identification card. (5) (a) Upon the applicant presenting a DD214 form issued by the United States government or any other document accepted by the department that demonstrates that the

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APPLICANT IS A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PRINT THE WORD "VETERAN" ON THE IDENTIFICATION CARD.

- (b) The holder of an identification card bearing the word "Veteran" need not present documentation that the holder is a veteran of the United States armed forces to renew or reissue the identification card.
- (c) The department shall not issue an identification card bearing the word "Veteran" if the applicant's documentation shows that the applicant received a dishonorable discharge.

## **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 28-5-102 as follows:

- **28-5-102. Identity documents veteran identifier.** A driver's license or identification card, issued under article 2 of title 42, C.R.S., that identifies the holder as a veteran is sufficient documentation that a person is a veteran for the purposes of any benefit or preference given to veterans by the state of Colorado or any political subdivision of Colorado.
- **SECTION 4. Appropriation.** (1) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the licensing services cash fund created in section 42-2-114.5 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, not otherwise appropriated, to the department of revenue, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, the sum of \$72,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the implementation of this act as follows:
- (a) \$7,800 for allocation to the information technology services division for the purchase of computer center services; and
- (b) \$65,000 for allocation to the division of motor vehicles for contractor services.
- (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby appropriated to the governor lieutenant governor state planning and budgeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, the sum of \$7,800, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to the office of information technology, for the provision of computer center services for the department of revenue related to the implementation of this act. Said sum is from reappropriated funds received from the department of revenue out of the appropriation made in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of this section.
- **SECTION 5.** Act subject to petition effective date applicability. (1) This act takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 7, 2013, if adjournment sine die is on May 8, 2013); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to

be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

(2) This act applies to applications submitted on or after January 1, 2014.

Approved: May 10, 2013